PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shouji YAJIMA et al.

Application No.: 10/725,362

Filed: December 3, 2003

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Group Art Unit: 1731

Examiner:

C. LOPEZ

Docket No.:

109067.01

For:

PRODUCTION METHOD OF SYNTHETIC SILICA GLASS AND THERMAL

TREATMENT APPARATUS

LARGE ENTITY REQUEST FOR **CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants hereby request continued examination.

Applicants further request entry and consideration of the submission filed May 22, 2007.

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 193548 in the amount of X \$790.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: June 8, 2007

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DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE **AUTHORIZATION** Please grant any extension necessary for entry; Charge any fee due to our Deposit Account No. 15-0461

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